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Northeast Regional Office/Fisheries Statistics Office
Fishery Information Section

Weekly Black Sea Bass Quota Report (No. 20)

Black Sea Bass Landings (pounds) for Quarter II (Apr-Jun 2000).

| State | Late Entries | Week Ending 20-MAY-00 | Period Cumulative Total (to date) | 2000 Quarter II Quota | Percent Landed |
|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| ME | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| NH | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| MA | 4,615 | 36,532 | 76,499 | | |
| RI | 182 | 1,744 | 20,098 | | |
| CT | 4 | 141 | 1,859 | | |
| NY | 735 | 2,340 | 29,417 | | |
| NJ | 484 | 17,744 | 118,824 | | |
| DE | 0 | 2,905 | 9,420 | | |
| MD | 1,477 | 17,148 | 91,827 | | |
| VA | 675 | 17,042 | 124,604 | | |
| NC | 5 | 610 | 14,569 | | |
| TOTAL | 8,177 | 96,206 | 487,117 | 738,837 | 65.9 |

Notes:

The current federal trip limit for black sea bass is 3,000 lbs.

If negative late entries are present on this report, they are the result of corrections made to the database.

For the week ending **20-MAY-00**, 193 dealers held a federal black sea bass permit. Of those 193 dealers, 145 (75%) have submitted a weekly quota report for the current reporting week. Because Massachusetts dealers submit weekly quota reports directly to the state, they were not included in these calculations.

These data are the best available to NMFS when this report was compiled. Data are supplied to NMFS by dealers and/or state agencies and may be preliminary. Data supplied by the State of Massachusetts are as of the week ending May 20, 2000.

The following summary is updated as information is received, and may not reflect recent state actions. Readers are urged to contact the appropriate state agency for further information.

State Information on Black Sea Bass (2000 Quarter II Quota Period)

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| State/ Commonwealth | Closure status | Trip/Possession Limits (pounds) | Other Provisions/ Pending Changes | State Contact |
|------------------------|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--|
| Maine | | | | Kerry Lyons 207-633-9510 |
| New Hampshire | | | | 603-868-1095 |
| Massachusetts | | Effective 4/1/2000 through 12/31/2000, the commercial trip limit for black sea bass in Massachusetts is 2,000 lbs. | | Dave Pierce 617-727-3193 |
| Rhode Island | | Effective 4/1/2000 through 9/30/2000, the possession limit for black sea bass in Rhode Island is 3,000 lbs. | | April Valliere 401-222-3075 401-789-3094 |
| Connecticut | | Effective 4/1/2000 through 6/30/2000, the trip limit for black sea bass in Connecticut is 3,000 lbs. | | Colleen Giannini 860-434-6043 |
| New York | | Effective Sunday, 4/16/2000, the trip limit for black sea bass in the State of New York is 3,000 lbs. | | John Mason 516-444-0453 |
| New Jersey | | | | Tom McCloy 609-292-2083 |
| Delaware | | | | Rick Cole 302-739-4782 |
| Maryland | | Effective 0001 hrs on 5/3/2000, the trip limit for black sea bass for the second quarter (Apr-Jun 2000) is reduced to 3,000 lbs. | | Harley Speir 410-260-8303 |
| Virginia | | During the period April 1 through June 30 of each year, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess aboard any vessel or to land in Virginia more than 3,000 lbs of black sea bass, except when it is announced that the coastwide quota for this period has been reached. | | Lewis Gillingham 757-247-2243 |

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| North Carolina | | No person may possess aboard a vessel more than 3,000 lbs of black sea bass per fishing trip through 6/30/2000, regardless of the number of days that the vessel was underway. | | Fentress "Red" Munden, 919-726-7021 |
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